



# Discovery Programme Newsletter

A Consumer-led Discovery Programme supported by Deaf Services Queensland

## Our Committee Reports 2007:

Our Committee has been working hard to get the Policy in order, this has taken more of our time than we thought.

One of our Workshops that was supposed to be held on 16th June at Deaf Link had to be changed as it was doubled booked.

Our Guest Speaker was happy to change the date, but needed to be at an earlier time. This will start at 11.30am with lunch included. Our AGM meeting will start at 3pm after the session finishes.

If you need to bring anything up at the AGM please let us know 2 weeks before the meeting starts so we can put this onto an Agenda.

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## Social Events: 2007

The Social Events will be a closed get together with the members.

**THE CHATS WILL BE HELD EVERY 3RD WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH. A CHOSEN VENUE WILL BE MADE BY THE MEMBERS FROM THE SURVEY.**

The event will be a small gathering only and must be in a public place.

Saturday 19th May 2007 - Chats after Workshop at Stones Corner.

Saturday 16th June 2007 -Workshop changed to 30th June.

Saturday 30th June 2007 - Workshop at Stones Corner starts 11.30am (Lunch Provided) then afterwards we will have our AGM meeting starting at 3pm. Chats afterwards and Dinner.

Saturday 21st July 2007- Chats after Workshop at Stones Corner.

Saturday 25th August 2007—Chats after Workshop at Stones Corner.

Only current Financial members are welcome to come along to all HIP Functions - contact Anthony Griffiths.

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### What is Discovery Programme.

- They help people to become confidence in themselves
- Getting to understand their low self esteem
- Learning new skills
- Learning Social skills
- A buddy to assist them to meet other people
- Being assertive

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# Discovery Programme Committee



Acting Facilitator -  
Committee & Administrator -  
Roslyn Serginson  
Grew up in Gladstone  
Hearing Impaired, Teacher  
of the Deaf. Married with 2  
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Star Sign—Cancer



Committee -  
Tom McCaul  
Born in London, UK but  
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Star Sign - Aquarius



Committee -  
Sandra Keir  
Born in Melbourne now  
residing in Sunny  
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Committee -  
Anthony Griffiths  
Born in Papua  
New Guinea, now  
residing in Sunny  
Queensland for  
the last 30 years.  
Star Sign -  
Scorpion.

## Activity Programme: 2007

**All Speakers and Venues have been confirmed**

**Saturday 19th May 2007 2.00pm**

**At Deaf Link - Stones Corner**

**Speaker - TBA**

**Deafness Awareness Presentation**

**Saturday 30th June 2007 11.30am**

**At Deaf Link - Stones Corner**

**Speaker - Di Briffa**

**Mental Health - Anger Management**

**Saturday 30th June 2007 3.00pm**

**At Deaf Link - Stones Corner**

**AGM meeting**

**Saturday 21st July 2007**

**At Deaf Link - Stones Corner**

**Speaker - Cindy Ranger**

**TTY Presentation**

**Saturday 18th August 2007**

**TBA**

**Speaker -**

**Saturday 22nd September 2007**

**TBA**

**Speaker -**

**Saturday 17th November 2007**

**TBA**

**Speaker -**

## Better hearing with Next G

by Bert Ciavarra, Telstra Disability Services Manager, Melbourne, VIC, 23 Apr 2007

Better Hearing Australia (BHA) members have inundated their national president, Alan Keir, with queries about whether Telstra's Next G™ network will provide them with interference-free mobiles when CDMA closes.

It will. Based on tests conducted by National Acoustic Laboratories, and our own tests with stakeholders with hearing aids and cochlear implants.

To prove the point, Alan, a double cochlear implantee, borrowed two Next G™ handsets from Telstra Disability Services for a BHA workshop on Saturday 21 April in Brisbane. The tests were very successful.

Alan also arranged for me to help him out with a video call demonstration during the workshop.

I'm currently in SERIOUS training for the 2007 Global Corporate Challenge so I couldn't make the Brisbane workshop in person. Instead, Alan's call came through while I was hiking along the remote Razorback track from Mount Hotham to Mount Feathertop in the Victorian Alps.

So the BHA members could experience the excellent Next G™ voice quality with video, I recited some of Banjo Patterson's poem, "A Bush Christening" from the mountain-top, which came through loud and clear - much to the bemusement of workshop participants

**Using the BrainTracker grid below, how many words can you find? Each word must contain the central F and no letter can be used twice, however, the letters do not have to be connected. Proper nouns are not allowed, however, plurals are. There is at least one nine letter word. Excellent: 39 words. Good: 32 words. Average: 25 words.**

L	P	I
A	F	R
E	C	E



"Alan's call came through while I was hiking along the remote Razorback track from Mount Hotham to Mount Feathertop in the Victorian Alps... it came through loud and clear!"

Answer on back page.

## Captioned Movies :



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<http://www.mediaaccess.org.au/cinema-schedule.aspx>  
You can check the times and future movies.

**Shooter Friday, 4 May 2007 Shooter Sunday, 6 May 2007 Shooter Wednesday, 9 May 2007 Shooter Friday, 11 May 2007 Shooter Sunday, 13 May 2007 Shooter Wednesday, 16 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Friday, 18 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Sunday, 20 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Wednesday, 23 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Friday, 25 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Sunday, 27 May 2007 Spiderman 3 Wednesday, 30 May 2007 Zodiac Friday, 1 June 2007 Zodiac Sunday, 3 June 2007 Zodiac Wednesday, 6 June 2007**

## HIP Club Events: 2007

Saturday 6th May 2007  
Games night at BHA.

Saturday 2nd June 2007  
Dinner at Chinese Restaurant

Saturday 7th July 2007  
DVD night at BHA

Sunday 5th August 2007  
Picnic at Decker Park

Saturday 1st September 2007  
Tenpin Bowling at Richlands

19th - 21st October 2007  
Combined Camp at Mt Tamborine

Sunday 4th November 2007  
Lunch / Captioned Movie.

Sunday 2nd December 2007  
Combined Xmas Function Lunch

If you wish to join HIP / BHA  
Contact Sandra for membership forms.

[HIP organizers have a right to make changes when necessary.](#)

### Answer to Brain Tracker.

**Common words: cafe, calf, clef, elf, face, fail, fair, far, farce, fare, fear, fee, feel, feral, fierce, file, filer, fir, fire, FIREPLACE, flair, flap, flare, flea, flee, flier, flip, frail, free, if, leaf, leafier, life, pilfer, preface, reef, relief, rife, rifle.**

**All words: afire, alef, alif, arf, cafe, calf, calif, clef, ef, elf, fa, face, facer, facile, faerie, fail, fair, far, farce, farci, farcie, fare, farl, farle, feal, fear, fecal, facial, fee, feel, fer, feral, fere, feria, feriae, ferial, ferlie, fiacre, fiar, fice, fie, fierce, fil, fila, filar, filaree, file, filer, fir, fire, FIREPLACE, flair, flap, flare, flea, flee, fleer, flic, flier, flip, frae, frail, frap, free, if, leaf, leafier, lief, liefer, life, lifer, pelf, pilaf, pilfer, preface, prefile, prelife, reef, ref, reface, refel, refile, reif, relief, rif, rife, rifle.**